

# PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING CHAPARRAL PARK COMMUNITY CENTER, ROOM 1 5401 N. HAYDEN ROAD SCOTTSDALE, AZ WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2012

#### **SUMMARY MINUTES**

PRESENT: Stan Koczka, Chair

Harry Schlegelmilch, Vice Chair Jeanne Alspaugh, Commissioner David Brown, Commissioner James Duchene, Commissioner Anne Wurth, Commissioner

STAFF: Jan Cameron, Parks, Recreation and Human Services Director

Tim Barnard, Parks and Recreation Manager Scott Anderson, Parks and Recreation Supervisor David Pratt, Irrigation Systems Coordinator Hugh McGill, Parks and Recreation Manager Don Davis, Parks and Recreation Manager Terry Erickson, Parks and Recreation Manager Reed Pryor, Parks and Recreation Manager

# **Moment of Silence**

Chair Koczka called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. A formal roll call confirmed members present as stated above, noting the presence of a quorum. The assembly observed a moment of silence.

## 1. Approval of the Minutes

a) Regular Meeting: June 4, 2012

VICE CHAIR SCHLEGELMILCH MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 4, 2012 AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER ALSPAUGH SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

b) Work Study Session: June 20, 2012

VICE CHAIR SCHLEGELMILCH MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE WORK STUDY SESSION OF JUNE 20, 2012 AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER ALSPAUGH SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

## 2. Chaparral Park Maintenance Program

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David Pratt, Irrigation Systems Coordinator, reviewed the maintenance program for the facilities of Chaparral Park, McDonald Lake, and Agua Linda Park. Recent projects include drainage flow improvements, new sod, irrigation repair work, turf fertilization, weed control, lake cleaning, tree pruning, and storm water management and cleanup.

Once the new drainage system is installed in the off-leash area, maintenance hours should decrease dramatically. New sod should result in higher quality turf with the same amount of labor. The resodding method used came with a higher initial cost, but the facility will be usable much sooner than with the other options, and require less water over the long term. The City is exploring a partnership with a sod company to secure a dedicated supply that would save money.

Scott Anderson reported that the City's new waterfowl population management effort has gone well so far, but the true test will occur once the winter visitors start returning.

# 3. <u>Proposed Grant Application to the Arizona Game and Fish Department (AGFD) for Public Waterfowl Population Education Program</u>

Tim Barnard, Parks and Recreation Manager, reported that the City is applying for a grant from the AGFD in the areas of urban wildlife and urban wildlife habitat. The goal of the application is to resolve human/wildlife conflicts, particularly Scottsdale's waterfowl overpopulation problem. Scottsdale can demonstrate a significant need for a public education program to teach residents about problems associated with wildlife in an urban environment. The grant application requests \$5,000 to cover the cost of informative signs and an education program to be conducted in association with partnering organizations. Applications are due October 1.

Commissioner Duchene inquired of any potential expenses associated with moving forward with the application. Mr. Barnard indicated that the only ongoing expense would be sign maintenance, though in practice, similar signs have worn extremely well.

COMMISSIONER DUCHENE MOVED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE GRANT APPLICATION. COMMISSIONER ALSPAUGH SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

# 4. <u>Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Scottsdale (COS) and the Scottsdale Unified School District (SUSD)</u>

Hugh McGill, Parks and Recreation Manager, said the SUSD is in the fifth and final year of its current RFP with Scottsdale Prevention Institute to address substance abuse issues in schools. Another RFP will go out next year. The contract provides a variety of services for students and parents including counseling, violence prevention, and life skills. Services are offered to students of elementary, middle school, and high school age, individually or in a group format.

Commissioner Duchene inquired about associated finances. Mr. McGill explained that the money would come from the General Fund in quarterly payments. Youth and Family Services would oversee the contract. Commissioner Duchene said the program works very well.

COMMISSIONER DUCHENE MOVED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH SUSD FOR FY 2012/2013, AS OUTLINED. VICE CHAIR SCHLEGELMILCH SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

#### 5. 2012/2013 Meeting Agenda Review

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The Commission reviewed the proposed 2012/2013 Meeting Agenda, which was drafted based on input received at the June 20 retreat. Jane Cameron, Parks and Recreation Director, noted that input from a September 18 public meeting regarding ball field projects at Scottsdale Ranch Park, Mountain View Park, and Horizon Park will be discussed at the Commission's September 19 meeting.

Commissioner Alspaugh requested moving the October 17, 2012 volunteer opportunities discussion, and the April 3, 2013 off-leash update to the January 16, 2013 meeting. The Commission agreed to switch most of the content of the October 3 meeting to the October 17 meeting. Commissioner Duchene suggested holding a meeting at one of the senior centers. Chair Koczka said backup agenda items could be added to the schedule later if room is available.

#### 6. Agenda Item Deleted

This agenda item was removed prior to start of the meeting.

# 7. Commissioner Report

Commissioner Alspaugh discussed the upcoming 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of McCormick Ranch, the Holiday Celebration, and the Fit City event. Commissioner Wurth said the public reaction to the new aquatic swim program has been very positive. Commissioner Duchene said the quality and service at the public pool facilities is consistently very high, though the Cactus Pool locker room could benefit from a renovation. Mighty Mud Mania was very well organized. Ms. Cameron noted that much of the maintenance program was deferred with recent budget cutbacks, but staff is working with Public Works on a comprehensive replacement schedule.

# 8. Director's Report of Current Events (A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K)

Ms. Cameron reported that Parks and Recreation and Human Services have been merged to a certain degree. She described how management responsibilities were restructured as a result of the change.

The Scottsdale Environmental Design Awards 2012 recently acknowledged George "Doc" Cavalliere Park, and the McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park Model Railroad Exhibit Building. The 2013 Bond Task Force meetings are moving forward. The Arizona Fall League starts at Scottsdale Stadium on October 9, and Railfair occurs at McCormick-Stillman on October 13 and 14.

Tim Barnard, Parks and Recreation Manager, reported on tennis and basketball court resurfacing work underway or completed at several parks. The City is installing new shade screens at three playgrounds.

### 9. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

#### Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, and no need for an executive session, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, A/V Tronics, Inc. DBA AVTranz.

Meets established criteria, Janice M. Cameron Parks, Recreation and Human Services Director

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